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## DUTIES OF LEPCS

- Appoint Officers
- Prepare and Submit By-Laws to KYEM
- Designate an Emergency Coordinator and establish a 24 hour telephone number
- Assist in the development of Emergency Response Plans
- Conduct Community Exercises
- Provide a copy of minutes , rosters, and public notice of meetings to KYEM
- Receive chemical release and Tier II reports and provide public access to information on chemicals in the community
- Educate the public about risks from accidental and routine releases of chemicals



## WHAT IS A LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE ?

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### LEPC



## WHAT IS A LEPC?

Local Emergency Planning Committees are groups of people just like you who share the mission of protecting the health and safety of their community from **all types** of incidents and disasters

## WHAT DO LEPCS DO?

LEPCs provide the opportunity for all those local organizations and individuals involved in responding to emergencies to work together, get to know each other, prepare and plan **BEFORE** an emergency occurs.

## DOES MY COUNTY HAVE AN LEPC?

Each county in Kentucky has an individual LEPC except Boone, Kenton, and Campbell Counties which work together as the Northern Kentucky LEPC

## HOW LONG HAVE LEPCS BEEN AROUND?

LEPCs were required to be established in 1986 as part of the **Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act** (EPCRA).

EPCRA required representatives of the following groups to be part of the LEPC::

- Elected state and local officials
- Law Enforcement
- Civil Defense
- Firefighting and first aid
- Health
- Local Environmental
- Hospitals
- Transportation
- Broadcast and Print Media
- Community Groups
- Industry

EPCRA also established reporting requirements for facilities with hazardous materials

Although originally established to look at community hazardous materials concerns, LEPCs are now planning and preparing for all hazards.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Become involved in your LEPC. Review and comment on your local emergency response plan. Participate in decisions that affect the health and safety of the people in your community.

If you would like more information on LEPCS contact your county emergency management office

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